Outreach Programs

Outreach programs are designed to bring the park interpreter's skills to those that cannot come to Sandy Point State Park. They are perfect for schools and community organizations and are on average \$1 per participant.

Radical Reptiles

Age Range: PreK – Adult **Time:** 30 minutes – 1 hour

Description: By examining native Maryland snakes and turtles, participants will discover the characteristics of these fascinating creatures. Biology and conservation of reptiles will be discussed.

Ranger Roundup!

Age Range: Grades K – 8 **Time:** 30 – 45 minutes

Description: Participants will learn about the many hats that rangers wear and begin to understand why they play an important role in a state park. The students will have the chance to dress as a ranger and handle some tools of the trade!

Junior Rangers

Age Range: Grade 3

Time: 2-3 sessions, about 1 hour each session

Description: The Junior Ranger Outreach Program provides children with a better understanding of the natural community surrounding their school and home environments. Teachers can choose lessons out of the following



topics: Ranger Roundup, Birds, Nature's Recyclers, Trees, and Leave No Trace. Once the program has been completed, the students will receive a Junior Ranger membership card and patch.

Who Polluted the Bay?

Age Range: Grades 3 – 6 **Time:** 30 – 45 minutes

Description: Students will learn about the Chesapeake Bay Watershed and how humans impact the bay ecosystem. This is a fun and educational hands-on program!

General Park Programs

Nature Center Tour

Age Range: Any

Time: 30 – 45 minutes

Description: The Sandy Point Nature Center is an educational center which displays collections of local wildlife including a



snake, turtles, frogs, and horseshoe crabs. Visitors of all ages will also enjoy hands-on displays and an area where they can dress up

like a ranger. \$1/person

Scavenger Hunt

Age Range: Grades K – 5

Time: 30 minutes

Description: Students explore the beach and wooded areas at Sandy Point in search of its natural treasures. Students are challenged to find biofacts (natural items), then return to a sharing circle to learn about and share their finds. A Shape and Texture Scavenger Hunt for younger students (pre K – K) is also available. \$1/person

No Way! That lives in the Chesapeake Bay?

Age Range: Grades K – 8

Time: 30 – 45 minutes

Description: With the help of a seine net, groups will be amazed to see the abundance and variety of life that lives below the surface of the bay. Grades K-3 will assist with a seining demonstration; whereas Grades 4-8 can actively participate in the seining procedure. Be prepared to get sandy and have a great time! \$2/person

Nature Hike

Age Range: Any

Time: 30 – 45 minutes

Description: Participants will explore the park in search of a topic of their choice: trees, birds,

wildlife, and more! \$1/person

Be sure to check out...

Each weekend from Memorial Day through Labor
Day, park staff offer a variety of free, family-oriented
programs and activities. Details can be found on
flyers posted throughout the park.

The Nature Center is also open Memorial Day through Labor Day, Friday - Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. At all other times, a nature center tour can be requested by calling the park office. The nature center has live animals, interactive displays, and souvenirs for all ages!





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2013 Programs

Summer Youth Programs

Junior Rangers!

Jr. Rangers is one of several efforts by the Maryland Park Service providing local youth with conservation information, environmental education and fun recreational experiences.



Designed for children ages

7-14, Sandy Point will host the weekly Jr. Rangers program on **Tuesdays** from **5:30-7:30 p.m.** beginning **July 9** and ending **August 13**. Each program consists of activities surrounding a specific topic, games, crafts, a snack & more. Upon completion of the program, each Jr. Ranger will receive a membership card, quest book, and badge at an awards ceremony and family picnic. The cost is \$25 per child (each additional sibling is only \$10); advance registration is recommended, so sign up soon!

Park Pals!

This weekly program is geared for children 3-7 years old and features games, snacks, stories, and other fun nature related activities. Programs will be held on **Tuesday afternoons** from **4:30-5:30 p.m.** beginning **July 9** and ending **August 13**. Participants will earn a badge and other goodies at the awards ceremony and family picnic that will be held in conjunction with the Jr. Rangers. The cost is \$20 per child; advance registration is required.



Summer 2013 Adventure Programs

Join skilled park staff as they promote enjoyment in the beautiful outdoors. Each program runs for two days and costs \$40 Note: Those signing up for multiple programs (or multiple children in a family) will receive \$5 off each additional program. All necessary equipment and supplies are provided. Children should come prepared with proper clothing for the outdoors including sunscreen, sunglasses, hats, footwear, etc. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Park staff reserve the right to cancel any programs that have less than 5 participants.

Junior Naturalists

Come and experience what it's like to be a Sandy Point State Park Naturalist. Our skilled naturalists will help children learn to get a closer look at nature through fun and educational outdoor adventures! Children will go crabbing, learn the fine art of fish printing, seine and learn about the Chesapeake Bay, go on a hike, learn survival skills, and more!



Dates:

Option 1 - June 27 - 28
Option 2 - July 22 - 23

Time: 12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Age: 7-14 years old

Nature Detectives

Calling all young nature detectives – your help is needed in finding the hidden creatures of Sandy Point. Worms, fish, insects, and other creatures have become lost in the woods and water surrounding the

park and they need your help to find their way out. This program will inspire children to get closer to nature through a variety of hands-on activities and games.



Dates:

Option 1 - June 27 - 28 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Option 2 - July 29 - 30 12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Age: 6-9 years old

Take Me Fishing

Catching fish depends on many factors – where and when you're fishing, the time of day, the season and weather, your experience level and your equipment. Join the naturalists at Sandy Point to learn about and try your hand at some different fishing techniques. All equipment including bait and poles will be provided.

Dates:

Option 1 - July 15 - 16

Option 2 - August 5 - 6

Time: 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Age: 7-14 years old



Special Event

Great American Backyard Campout

Bring your family to camp at Sandy Point State Park overlooking the Chesapeake Bay for our 3rd annual Backyard Campout! Exciting campout activities include games for the entire family, nature crafts, a moonlit nature hike, and a campfire with s'mores. Don't miss out on this great adventure!

When: June 22 – 23

Who: Families (Maximum of 6 people)

Cost: \$25 per family

Time: Check-in - 10 a.m. Saturday Check-out - 10 a.m. Sunday

> Camping in Tents only. Limited Space Available. Reservations Required.



Program Registration Form

Junior Naturalists Option # \$40 Nature Detectives Option # \$40 Take Me Fishing Option # \$40 Great American Backyard Campout \$25 Total: Address Phone Emergency Allergies/Medical Conditions/Concerns Insu Parent/ Camper Agreement: I agree to hold harmless San Park and all of its employees, officers and agents in the evocurring to my child. I recognize that participating in these a certain amount of risk and that injury is always possible. child is, to the best of my knowledge, physically able to pactivity. I assume full financial responsibility for medical evout of such an injury. I hereby authorize the rangers and/o act for me according to his or her best judgment in any em	
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Mail this form & check (payable to Department of Natural Resources) directly to the park office: 1100 East College Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21409

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